

## BAYONNE'S BANK RUN OVER.

DEPOSITORS WITHDREW \$300,000 BEFORE SCARE ENDED.

Detective Looking for Whoever Started the Run—Million Dollars on Hand to Reassure the Depositors—Herd Job for the Employees Until Early Yesterday.

The run on the savings department of the Mechanics' Trust Company of West Eighth street, Bayonne, started yesterday afternoon about 3:30 o'clock. Deposits had been withdrawn. This was only a fifth part of the company's deposits of that kind, so that after all there was little real excitement on the part of the directors. After the all day and all night run on Friday it was figured out that the public had pretty well exhausted itself. Indeed, by Friday, when many persons still were trying to get their money out, others who had been among the first to grab their deposits were coming back with them.

Money from the Hanover National Bank in New York kept coming in in installments until the evening. Finally had almost \$1,000,000 worth of money to head off the run. The fact that these deposits were not money were getting them without any difficulty calmed down the depositors, so that when business began yesterday morning at 8:30 o'clock, a half hour earlier than usual, there was only a handful of persons about the doors. They were taken care of quickly, and at 10 o'clock the waiting crowd had dwindled down to one or two.

Ordinarily the doors of the trust company close at 12 o'clock on Saturdays, but in order to restore public confidence they were kept wide open until 3 o'clock, and after that a policeman was stationed in front of the doors. He had orders to admit only one who wanted to get in, but there was almost nothing except in the way of merchant making deposits in the commercial department going on after noon.

The company is preparing a statement of the financial condition of the institution. It will be published on Tuesday.

The way that the report of the insolvency of the institution started is something that the bank people would like to know. While some of them believe that it was begun without intention by the ill advised remark of some person being distorted into another meaning, there are others who are said to think that it was the work of malice. It was suggested by one person that perhaps real estate speculators who found that the company would not loan them money were responsible for the report.

President DeWitt Van Buskirk said yesterday that he did not believe that that was the true cause. He explained that not long ago it had been decided not to tie up the bank's money in real estate, especially as speculation had begun to grow a little wild. It was believed that there were other and better uses for the bank's money. On that account some of the speculators might have been disgruntled, but he did not believe that they could have been responsible for the report.

President Van Buskirk said that the most plausible theory was that one or two days ago had entered the bank with a fair sized check. The maker of the check did not have money enough on deposit to cover the face of it, and he was told that the usual remark about no funds. From that it is supposed that the man went away with the idea that the bank was out of funds. At any event, it was not long after that the foreigners, who do most of the depositing in the savings department—they are mostly Poles and Hungarians from the Constable district—began to flock in and look for their money.

Whatever may have been the cause, the bank is prepared to pay \$1,000 to discover the man who started the run. A detective had been put on the job to endeavor to place the responsibility.

It was no picnic for the bank employees when the run was going on. On Friday after being in the place up to 11 o'clock paying out money, they had to stay until 3 o'clock in the morning getting the finances straightened out. Then they had to go to work early yesterday morning and stay on until the late afternoon. They were mighty glad that confidence was restored.

From somewhere or other a rumor started yesterday, too, that two other Bayonne institutions were "involved" in the run on the bank. There are two other banking houses in Bayonne, the Bayonne Trust Company and the Bayonne National Bank, and opposition concern to the Mechanics' Trust, and the First National Bank. President Carrigan of the First National Bank, who is also president of the Mechanics' Trust, said that he had a similar run in 1903 and paid out \$250,000 that panic year before it stopped. These people will lose six per cent on the interest on their savings.

After 1903 it was said there were some persons who for two years did not bring back their accounts, and it was observable that when they did they had the money in the same packages in which it had been handed to them in 1903.

The bank had a large quantity of real money about yesterday where the vaulting could get a peek at it. Binders marked \$5,000 were strewn about in negligent profusion and did much to reassure the depositors.

## SUFFER FROM CAR BORROWERS.

President Harahan Would Make Per Diem Rate of Rental \$5.

CHICAGO, Feb. 2.—Statistics showing the development of the Illinois Central Railroad in the last fifteen years have been compiled by order of President Harahan.

The number of tons of freight carried one mile has increased 307 per cent. The increase in main track mileage was only 51 per cent, but the increase in second main track mileage was 70 per cent, and in side tracks 180 per cent. The number of locomotives has increased 145 per cent, and of freight cars 292 per cent.

While the average loading capacity of freight cars has increased 96 per cent, the actual loading per car has increased only 77 per cent, showing that shippers have not taken full advantage of the facilities afforded and consequently have contributed to the shortage of cars.

"We have all the tracks, locomotives and cars to handle the business offered us if we could only get our cars back promptly from connecting lines," declared President Harahan. "If there was any way of getting a railroad for refusing to return our cars, I would start several suits immediately. On an average other roads have in their possession 10,000 more of our cars than we have of foreign cars."

"This is largely due to the fact that we originate more freight than other roads give to us, and in order to protect the industries along our lines we must let our cars go to points of origin."

"Personally I would be glad to see the per diem rate raised to \$5 per car to punish the roads which would rather steal than pay for the use of the cars," declared President Harahan, who is now 68, will celebrate the 65th anniversary of his debut.

## New Bank for Brooklyn.

The Montauk Bank, a new financial institution in Brooklyn, will be opened at Fifth avenue and Union street on March 1. The officers are Henry M. Randall, president; Adolph Heine, vice-president; and Henry B. Conlin, cashier.

## FOUR OPERAS YESTERDAY.

"Carmen" Given for the First Time This Season at the Metropolitan.

"Carmen" was sung at the Metropolitan Opera House yesterday afternoon. Bizet's delightful opera had not been given previously by Mr. Conried's company, and a large audience was present. The presentation of the opera as a whole was characterized by much earnestness of intention and occasional arrivals at the desired level of dramatic intensity. It seemed as if for some intangible reason the movement of the performance came to a stop every once in a while. Then it required much effort to set it going again.

Not a little of the dullness of the afternoon was due to the unaccountable vocal caprices of some of the singers. Mme. Fremstad was the *Carmen*, and despite some splendid moments her impersonation was not what she originally gave this public. Her delivery of the music yesterday had a rudeness of style and a heaviness of tone which robbed it of subtlety of feeling and dramatic illusion. Doubtless it was owing to the weighty mood in which she felt the music that she made her histrionic presentation of the role heavy aloof. Her best art was disclosed in the card scene and in the struggle against fate in the last act.

Mme. Rappold sang and acted *Micaela* in a cold and meaningless style. The beauty of her final phrase in the solo of the third act aroused the audience, but for her own good she ought to have heard her own tremolo on all low tones. Mr. Rouselliere as Don José was lamentably deficient in quality of tone, correctness of intonation, and general execution of style. Mr. Journé made a gallant battle with the music of *Escamillo*, but it is too high for him.

Mr. Semich, who was announced to sing *Violetta* in "La Traviata" last night, but she was suffering from a cold and again Besie Abbott had to substitute for her. Miss Abbott agreed to be more at home in the role than in others in which she has appeared this season, and her acting showed more credit. She sang the music very creditably.

Chief associates were Mr. Dupel as *Alfredo* and Mr. Scotti as *Giorgio*. At the Manhattan Opera House last night a Mme. Zepilli was heard for the first time as the Queen in "Les Huguenots." She did not establish a claim to extended glorification. The other members of the cast were the same as heretofore. In the afternoon *La Bohème* was sung, with the same persons as before, except that Mr. Arimondi replaced Mr. Mugnos as Don Silvio and gave a good impersonation of the old priest.

## THE SYMPHONY CONCERT.

Converse's "Festival of Pan" Proves to Be an Interesting Novelty.

The seventh subscription concert of the New York Symphony Orchestra took place last night at Carnegie Hall. The programme consisted of Schumann's E flat symphony, an arrangement by Mr. Damsch of the love duet from the second act of "Tristan und Isolde," F. S. Converse's "Festival of Pan," and Elgar's "Variations on an Original Theme." There was no soloist, all these numbers being for orchestra.

Mr. Converse's composition, which he calls a romance, was heard for the first time here. It had no programme note to explain it, and it really did not seem to need any. The title was sufficient, and therein lies subject matter for more extended comment than may be made at this time. Mr. Converse is at any rate content to remain within the limits formerly set for musical expression and has not crossed into that debatable land wherein text clamors for the exercise of its office.

"The Festival of Pan" begins and ends with a slow movement, which apparently depicts the forest. In the middle is a brilliant, melodious and admirably scored allegro which paints the festival. That is all clear to any one. Mr. Converse has a programme, not too elaborate, but it was not in evidence last night, and the fact that the composition without it propounded no insoluble problems made a good orchestral technique and a grip on form.

Mr. Damsch conducted the composition with sympathy and had plainly given it proper rehearsal. The orchestra played the music excellently, and indeed was good throughout the concert. Schumann's delightful old Rhine symphony went very well indeed. Mr. Damsch has already conceived both the first and the last movements at a pace somewhat slower than some other conductors take them, but there is much to be said in favor of his idea. The conductor's arrangement of "Tristan und Isolde" music gave David Mannes, the solo violinist, and Leo Schulz, the first cellist, opportunities to soar into the region of pure melody. Altogether it was a concert of good music, well played, and an audience of fairly large size seemed to enjoy it.

## STATE FARMERS ORGANIZING.

To Form State, District and Local Unions Similar to Labor Unions.

UTICA, Feb. 2.—Plans for the organization of the farmers of New York State on lines similar to the labor unions, with local, district and State headquarters, have been perfected by the Central New York Farmers' Club and the task of organizing the agriculturists will be undertaken forthwith. The combination will be known as "The Milk and Farm Producers' Association."

The State will be divided into thirteen districts, each with its own union, each local union having a union of its own, and the laws of the State and to be capitalized according to its needs.

The object of the association will be "to obtain fair prices for all milk and farm products as between producer and consumer; to regulate the supply so as to adapt it to the demand and to mitigate the evils arising from a surplus; to insure justice to producers as to weights, etc.; to promote whatever changes or reforms are necessary to insure justice to producer and consumer alike; to handle milk, cheese, butter, eggs and all farm products, and to deal more directly with the consumer."

All producers of agricultural products will be eligible to membership, and such other persons as might be approved by the local unions. All cheese and butter factories, milk shipping stations, cold storage plants and necessary warehouses for farm products will be owned and controlled by the local unions in the different district unions.

## WANTS A PRETTY YANKEE WIFE.

Young Man Writes From Manila to "The Most Beautiful Girl in Middleboro."

MIDDLEBORO, Mass., Feb. 2.—The pretty girls of this town are evidently fanned even to the furthestmost lands over which Uncle Sam's flag floats.

To-day a letter was received by Postmaster Beane from Manila. Inside of it he found another address to the most beautiful young lady in Middleboro.

Mr. Beane asked one of the clerks to decide who should have the letter. A wait of a few minutes elapsed and the clerk thought was the "most beautiful" came along and the letter was passed out to her. She opened it and found the following:

A young man, aged 26 years, of good standing and character, sober and industrious, holding a good Government position here, with salary capable of supporting two, would like to correspond with a young lady from 18 years to 21 years old, who is good looking and who would make an ideal wife. He is a native of Middleboro, Mass., and is now in the Philippines.

Write at once, stating age, description and terms.

GEORGE ROBERTSON.

## VASSAR IS GETTING TOO BIG.

PRESIDENT TAYLOR WARNS THE ALUMNAE OF THE DANGER.

Limit of Students Has Been Fixed at 1,000 and Can't Be Changed Until Some Solution of the Problem Is Offered—Needs \$500,000 to Beautify Campus.

The pressing danger of overcrowding in the larger women's colleges and the needs of Vassar in particular on this point were presented to the alumnae of Vassar College yesterday afternoon by President Taylor of the college at the annual luncheon of the alumnae association at Delmonico's. President Taylor declared that the danger lay along two lines, the crowding of students and the crowding of studies. He suggested that perhaps the adoption of the Oxford plan of allied but separate colleges might be the solution.

President Taylor was presented to the alumnae by their president, Miss Elizabeth Cutting, who remarked that a Vassar girl had once been overheard to say that she feared that if she remained at Vassar long enough President Taylor would become her ideal man. The Vassar girls' fears have been realized by the alumnae, if one may judge by the warmth of the reception which President Taylor received. He looked pleased, but plunged at once into serious talk.

President Taylor declared that while the standard of Vassar was equal to that of any institution of its kind in the world, whether for men or women, yet the number of students, closely approaching the thousand mark, made the problem of individual attention a difficult one. He said that recently the trustees had fixed the limit of the number of students at 1,000, and he believed that it was a good idea to hold to that limit, at least until some solution of the problem was found. He declared that the large universities were facing the same problem and that it was the least easy of solution and the one that needed most attention of any now before the educational world.

In closing President Taylor told of the improvements at Vassar. He said that more and more attention was to be paid to the aesthetic side of life at Vassar, and that when the plans now under discussion are carried out Vassar's campus and surroundings would be the most beautiful in the world. All that was needed, he said, was for some man with \$500,000 to come along and say, "Begin."

Dr. A. H. Strong, president of the Rochester Theological School and also president of the Vassar board of trustees, told of the early struggles of that body, but declared that, thanks to the influence of the alumnae, the board was at present as well behaved and good looking a body as might be found. He told of the growing numbers at Vassar, but seemed to think that numbers were rather to be desired.

## WOMEN'S WINTER COATS.

Extraordinary Bargains.

Women's and Misses' Tourist Coats of Mannish Mixtures. At \$10.00 formerly \$20.00 to \$25.00.

Women's and Misses' Rain Coats of Imported Materials; full lengths. At \$19.50 formerly \$40.00 to \$50.00.

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## TARGET SCORES CANCELLED.

Companies L and M, Fifth Infantry, Under a Cloud.

At the target practice at Plattsburg last summer very good scores were made by Companies L and M of the Fifth Infantry. So good were the scores, in fact, that the officers got to thinking and then an investigation was begun. The result is that there came from Washington yesterday a general order commanding that all records at the targets made by the two companies be cancelled and the increase in pay awarded to the men for the scores will be deducted.

None of the commissioned officers or non-commissioned officers is affected by the order, as the scores were made by enlisted men. Col. Calvin D. Cowles of the Fifth assisted in the investigation that brought about the order and says he is glad of the outcome.

Col. H. O. S. Heistand, military secretary of the Department of the East, said yesterday that there had been much correspondence between the department and Washington to look into the scores of the entire Third battalion of the Fifth Infantry.

## STABBED AFTER THEATRE ROW.

Boy Who Stood Up in Front of Another Gets Three Bad Wounds.

Abe Matthews, 17 years old, of 313 East Houston street, was laid in a hospital by Magistrate Finelite in the Essex Market police court yesterday morning for stabbing another boy three times as the result of a row in the Thalia Theatre on the Bowery. The victim, Morris Goldberg of 114 Monroe street, is in a serious condition at his home. He was sitting in front of Matthews in the balcony of the theatre on Friday night and stood up to get a better view of the performance. Matthews protested and a quarrel followed.

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Styles suitable for present and early Spring wear.

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Monday, February 4th.

Sale of Ribbons.

1,000 yards Moire Sash Ribbons with fancy satin striped edge; Pink, Light Blue, Lavender, White, Cream and Black, 9-inch, 85c. per yard, value \$1.50.

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1,250 yards Dresden Rosebud Ribbons, very dainty designs, 5-inch wide, 29c. per yard, value 40c.

A large variety of Dresden Ribbons, new patterns for Spring 1907, 5-inch, 6-inch, 7-inch, 39c., 45c., 65c. per yard.

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